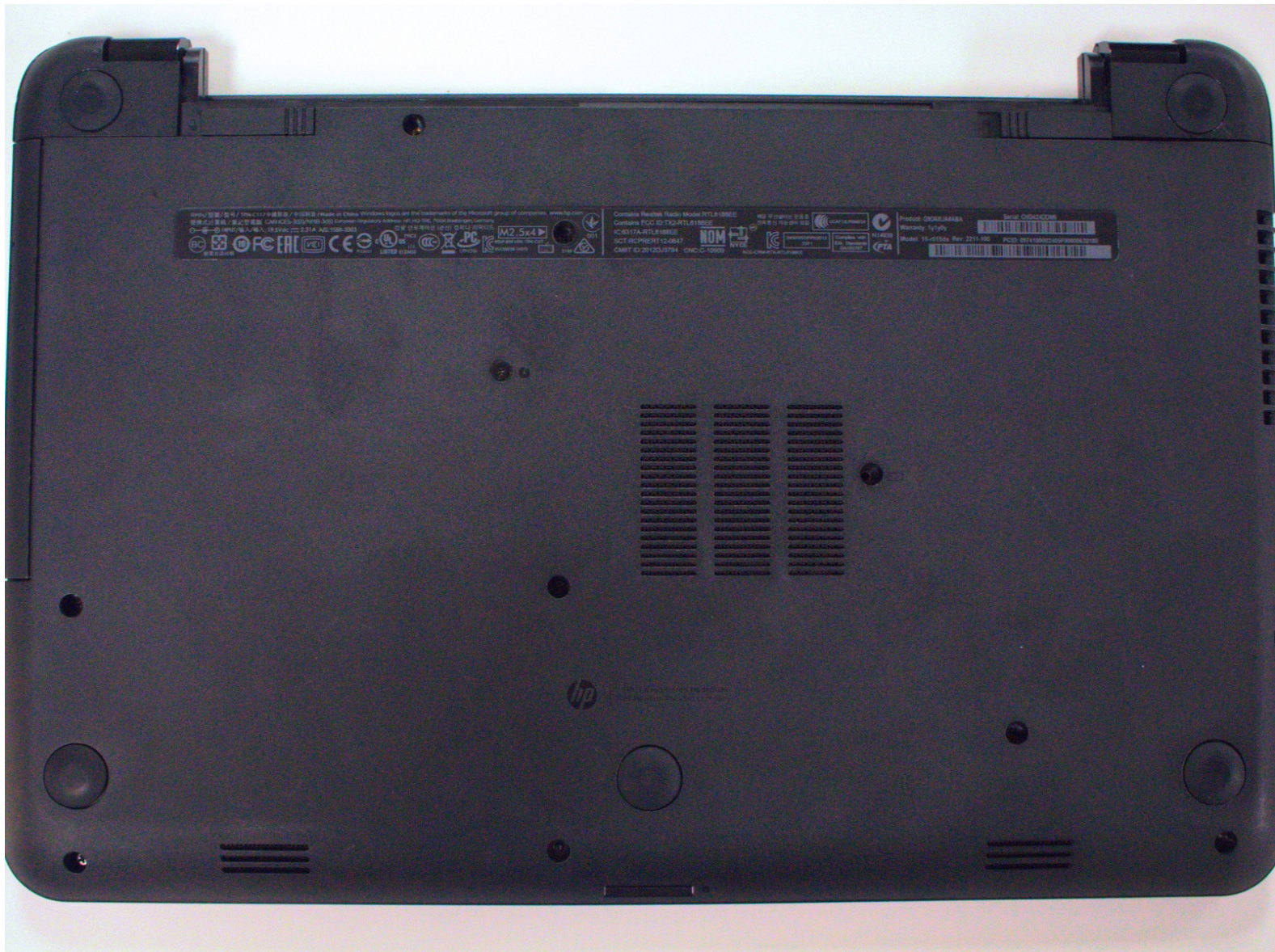




HP TouchSmart 15-r015dx Hard Drive Replacement

This guide will show you how to replace your hard drive for your HP TouchSmart 15-r015dx.

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INTRODUCTION

The HP TouchSmart 15-r015dx has a 500 GB hard drive.



TOOLS:

- [iFixit Opening Tools](#) (1)
 - [Phillips #00 Screwdriver](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Battery



- Turn off your laptop.
- ⚠ Ensure your laptop is off. Removing the battery while it is on may harm your laptop.
- Flip upside down in order to access the battery.

Step 2



- There are two battery release switches located under the battery.
- Slide both switches inward to release the battery.

Step 3



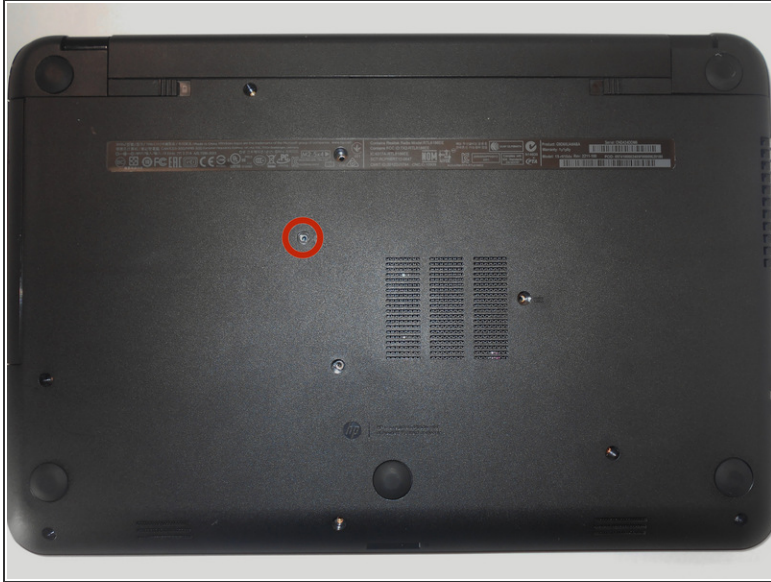
- Remove the battery.
- ⓘ The release switches may need to be pushed inward while removing the battery.

Step 4 — DVD±RW Drive



- Turn off your laptop.
- ⚠ Ensure your laptop is off. Removing the DVD±RW Drive while it is on may harm your laptop.
- Flip upside down in order to access the DVD±RW Drive.

Step 5



- There is 1 (one) screw holding the DVD±RW Drive in place.
- Use your screwdriver to remove the screw.
- ⓘ Be careful not to lose the screw.

Step 6



- The DVD±RW Drive is here.
- Remove the DVD±RW Drive by gently pulling it straight out.

Step 7 — Keyboard



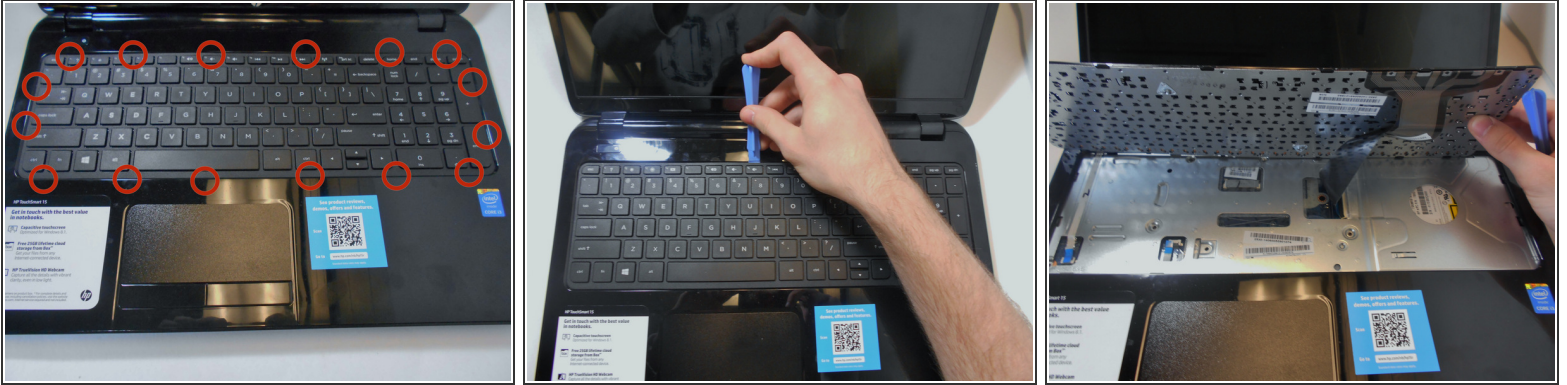
- Turn off your laptop.
- ⚠ Ensure your laptop is off. Removing the keyboard while it is on may harm your laptop.
- Flip upside down in order to release the keyboard.

Step 8




- There is 1 (one) screw holding the keyboard in place. There is a 2nd screw on some located on the table.
- Use your screwdriver to remove the screw.
- ⓘ Be careful not to lose the screw.

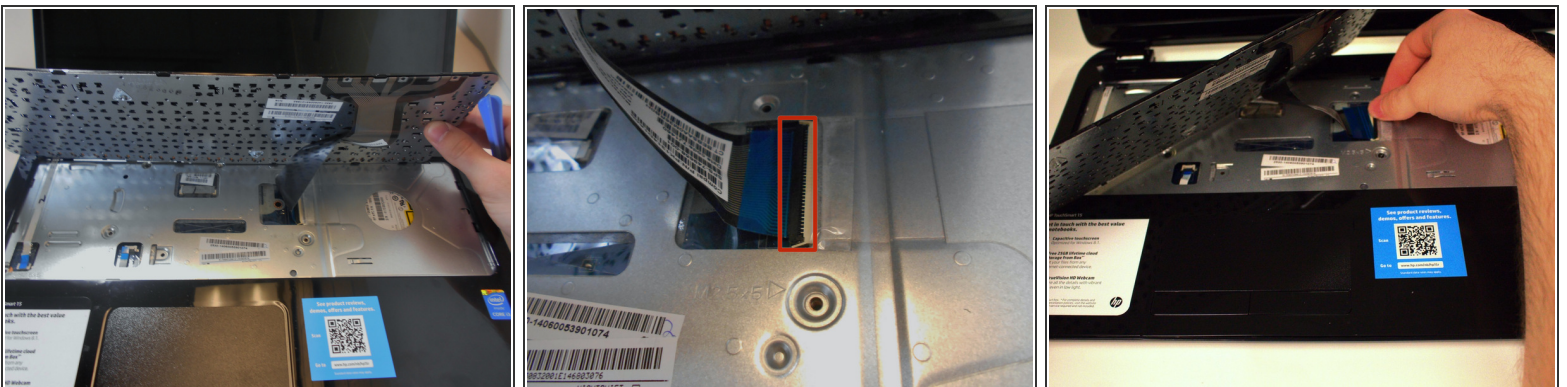
Step 9



- Flip the laptop back over and pull the screen up.
- There are 16 (sixteen) latches holding the keyboard in place.
- Gently pry the keyboard up using your plastic opening tool.

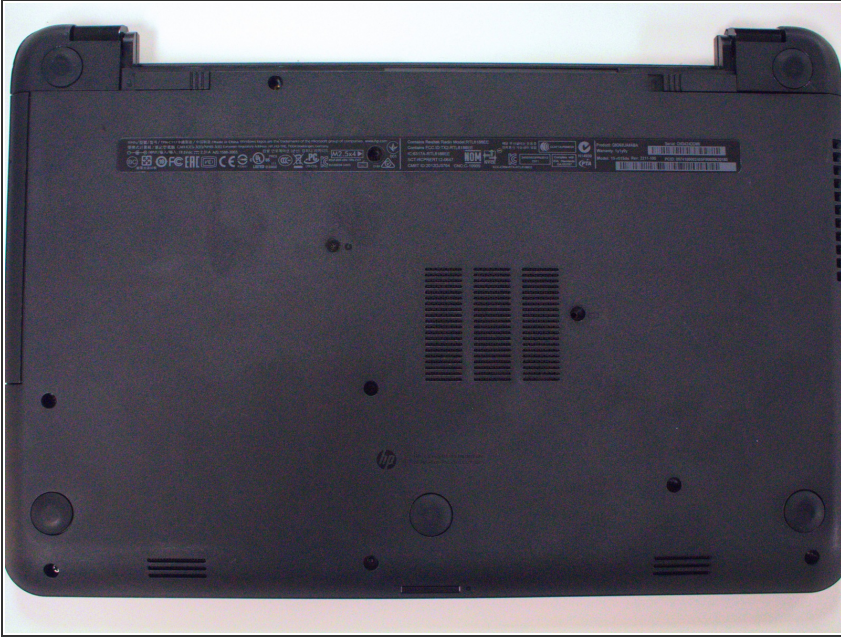
 Don't pull the keyboard up more than 2-3 inches as there is a film-material connecting the keyboard to the laptop.

Step 10




- There is a film-material connecting the laptop to the keyboard.
- There is a small black latch holding the film-material in place.
- Flip the black latch up to release the film-material.
- Once flipped up, simply pull the film-material out from the laptop to release the keyboard.

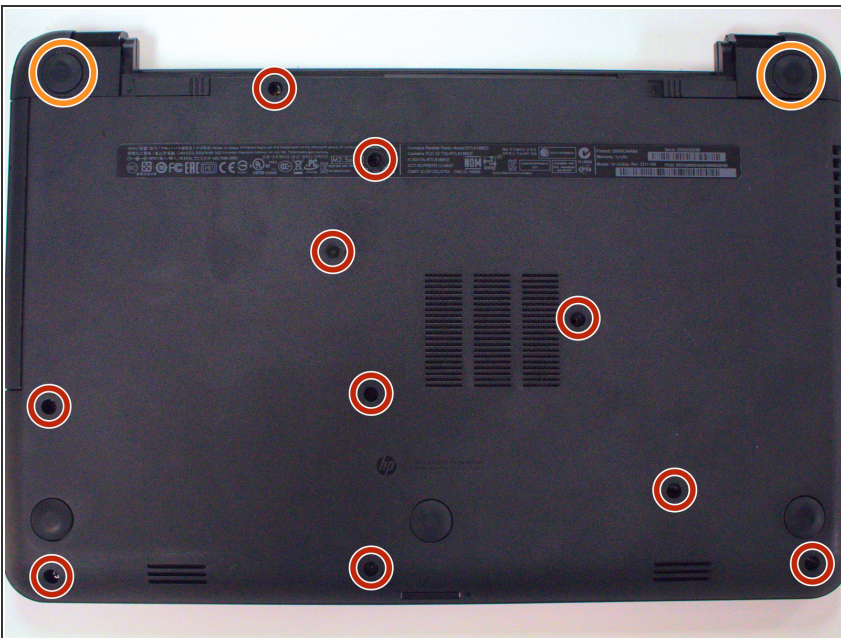
Step 11 — Hard Drive




- Close and flip your laptop over to access the screws.

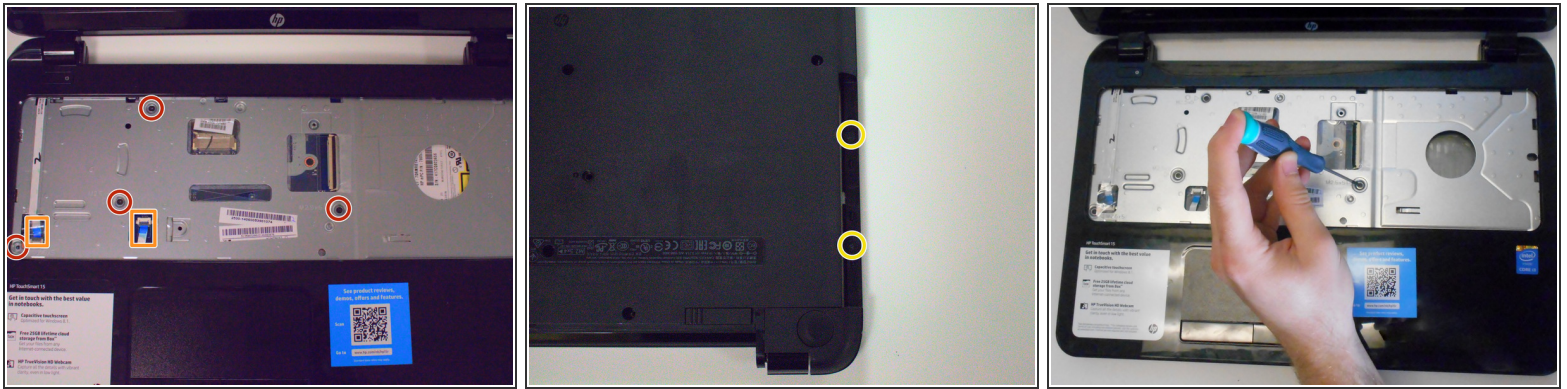
 Ensure your laptop is off and the battery removed. Removing the hard drive with the laptop on will harm your computer.

Step 12



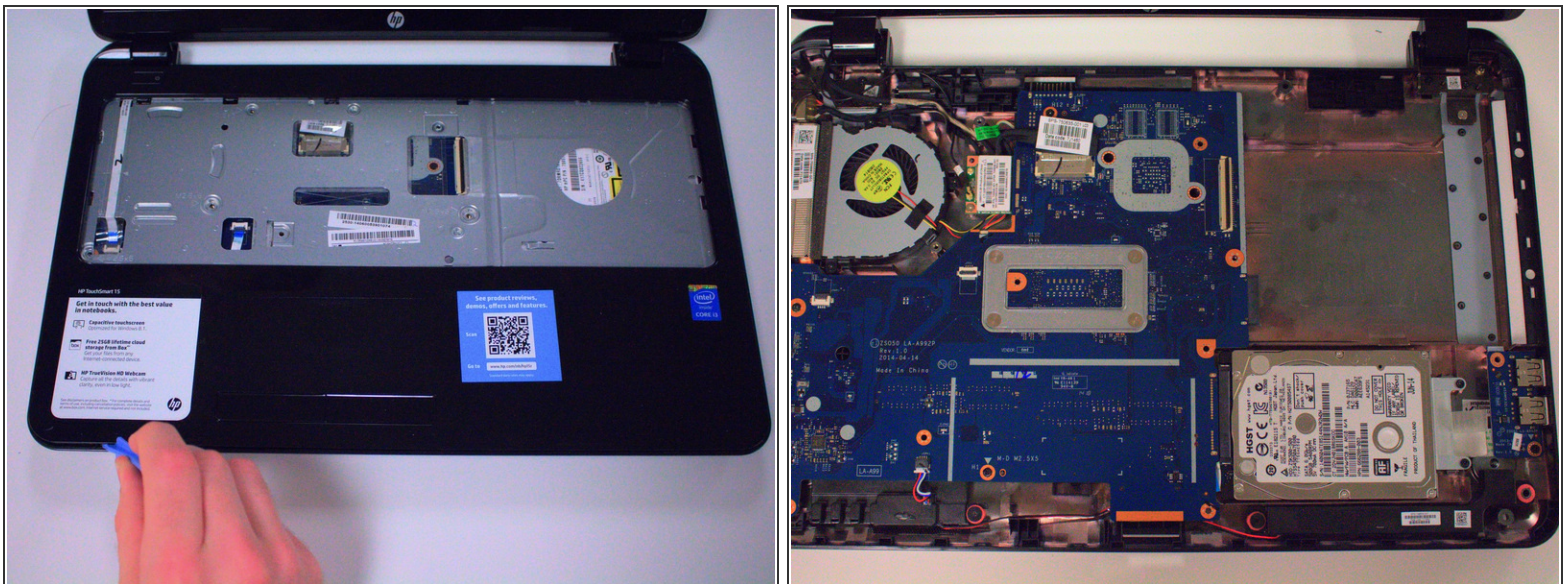
- Unscrew all the screws.
 - There are 2 screws underneath the covers that need to be unscrewed.
-  Our DVD±RW Drive is still inside, but yours should already be removed.

Step 13



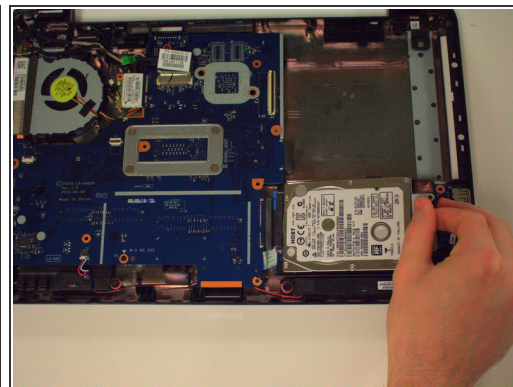
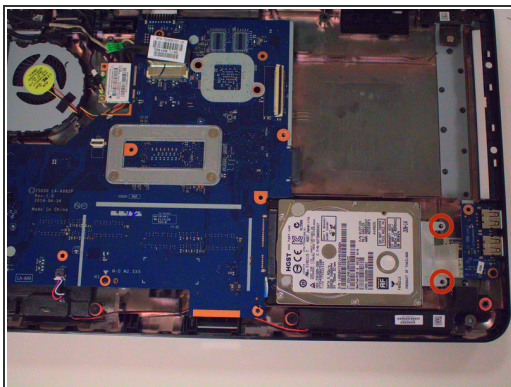
- Flip your laptop over and open it.
- There are 4 screws needing to be unscrewed.
- There are 2 wires that need to be unplugged before removing the base of the laptop.
- There are 2 more screws where the DVD±RW Drive was.

Step 14



- Use your plastic opening tool to pry the base of the laptop off.

Step 15



- There are 2 screws holding the hard drive in place.
- Use your screwdriver to unscrew the screws.
- Remove the hard drive by pulling it to the right like shown.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.

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